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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF CVD INVESTIGATION ON PORTABLE SEISMOGRAPHS FROM CANADA

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TO: REGIONAL DIRECTORS, COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS DISTRICT DIRECTORS, AREA AND PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, IMPORT SPECIALIST DIVISION

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF CVD INVESTIGATION ON PORTABLE SEISMOGRAPHS FROM CANADA

- 1. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ON MAY 13, 1992, NOTICE OF ITS PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION THAT CERTAIN BENEFITS WHICH CONSTITUTE SUBSIDIES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY LAW ARE BEING PROVIDED TO THE PRODUCERS, MANUFACTURERS, OR EXPORTERS OF PORTABLE SEISMOGRAPHS FROM CANADA.
 - 2. THE PRODUCTS COVERED BY THIS INVESTIGATION ARE PORTABLE SEISMOGRAPHS FROM CANADA. PORTABLE SEISMOGRAPHS ARE USED BY THE Message Date: 05/15/1992 Message Number: 2136112 Page 2 of 5

MINING, CONSTRUCTION, AND BLASTING INDUSTRIES TO MEASURE THE GROUND AND AIR VIBRATIONS PRODUCED BY MAN-MADE BLASTING IN COMPLIANCE WITH SEISMOGRAPH STANDARDS ESTABLISHED BY THE U.S. BUREAU OF MINES. THE BASIC COMPONENTS AND RANGES OF MEASUREMENT

ARE: GROUND PEAK PARTICLE VELOCITY (.02 TO 10 INCHES PER SECOND); GROUND MOTION FREQUENCY (2 TO 200 HZ); DIRECTION OF MOTION (3 ORTHOGONAL AXIS (L,T,V)); AIRBLAST LEVEL (100 TO 140 DBL); AIRBLAST OVERPRESSURE (1/10,000 TO 1/100 PSI); AND AIRBLAST FREQUENCY (2 TO 200 HZ). EARTHQUAKE, NUCLEAR, AND REFLECTION/REFRACTION SEISMOGRAPHS ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION. PORTABLE SEISMOGRAPHS ARE CURRENTLY PROVIDED FOR IN SUBHEADING 9015.80.6000 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE (HTS). ALTHOUGH THE HTS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, DOC'S WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THIS PROCEEDING IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. CUSTOMS SHOULD SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF ALL ENTRIES OF PORTABLE SEISMOGRAPHS FROM CANADA, EXCEPT THOSE FROM INSTANTEL, INC., WHICH ARE ENTERED, OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE FOR CONSUMPTION,

ON OR AFTER MAY 13, 1992, AND SHALL REQUIRE A CASH DEPOSIT OR BOND FOR SUCH ENTRIES OF THE MERCHANDISE IN THE AMOUNT OF 32.40 PERCENT AD VALOREM.

INSTANTEL IS EXEMPT FROM THE SUSPENSION OF LIQUIDATION BECAUSE THE ESTIMATED NET SUBSIDY FOR THIS COMPANY IS 0.02 PERCENT AD VALOREM, WHICH IS DE MINIMIS.

- 4. FOR FUTHER REPORTING PURPOSES, THIS COUNTERVAILING DUTY CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBER C-122-819.
- 5. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, THEY SHOULD CONTACT THE IMPORT SPECIALIST DIVISION, OTHER AGENCY BRANCH (202-566-8651) OR SEND EMAIL TO ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB". THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT GARY BETTGER OR SUSAN STRUMBEL OF THE OFFICE OF

COUNTERVAILING INVESTIGATIONS, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, TELEPHONE: (202)377-2239 OR 377-1442, RESPECTIVELY.

THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE ABOVE INFORMATION.

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Company Details

*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party